

D.E.Brackett's Great Closing Out Shoe Sale Is Still Raging

The excitement has kept up to fever heat ever since the opening last Saturday. Hundreds of customers have been happily satisfied, and hundreds of others were unable to get waited upon despite the large force of extra salesmen.

We want to compliment the public on their keen appreciation of good values, which of course accounts for the great volume of business we have enjoyed this week.

We Are Adding More and Greater Bargains To Our Tables Each Day!

Following Are a Few Prices:

One lot Ladies, Misses and Children's Slippers worth up to \$1.50. **Closing price 19c**

One lot Ladies, Misses and Children's shoes and oxfords worth up to \$2. **Closing price 39c**

1 lot Ladies, Misses and Children's shoes and oxfords worth up to \$2.50. **Closing price 69c**

1 lot Ladies and Misses shoes and oxfords worth up to \$3. **Closing price 98c**

1 lot Ladies and Misses shoes and oxfords \$3.00 and 3.50 values. **Closing price \$1.98**

1 lot Men's shoes and oxfords worth up to \$4.50 and \$5. **Closing price \$3.19**

1 lot Men's shoes and oxfords worth up to \$3.50 and 4.50. **Closing price \$2.49**

1 lot Men's shoes and oxfords worth up to 2.50 and 4.00. **Closing price \$1.69**

Why not bring in the whole family and shoe them up for the fall and winter at a saving of 50 per cent or more on your money.

Don't Forget the Location.

D. E. BRACKETT

Cor. Superior St. and Woodworth Ave.

Sumner News Items

Miss Lucy Parr was a Riverdale caller Monday.

Clyde Smead spent a few days in Detroit last week with relatives.

V. D. Stoffs and A. Fowler were Ithaca business callers Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Duffield were among the Sunday excursionists to Toledo.

Ben Pugsley and wife are the proud parents of a baby boy born Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Stoffs and children of Toledo are the guests of his brother, Verne.

Mr. I. D. Laferty of Detroit transacted business with Mrs. L. F. Tucker Wednesday.

W. S. Hammontree of Belding is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hammontree.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gee of Alma visited the latter's parents, Wm. Phillips and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. David Mulford Sundayed with their son, Arthur and family, of Maple Rapids.

Mrs. Macomber of Vestaburg and Alice Harvey of Chicago are guests of Mrs. Thomas Lang.

George Waters of Carson City and his daughter, Susie, of Saginaw, called on Mrs. L. A. Ayers Saturday.

Charles Booth and wife and Mrs. I. F. Tucker and F. J. Tucker visited the Booth family in Alma Sunday.

Miss Ruth Graham and brother, Bernard, are spending a week with friends in Mt. Pleasant and Rosebush.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Weaver of Standish, called on F. J. Tucker Tuesday evening. They autoed from Chicago.

C. A. Button has sold his town property to Mr. McLennon, the miller who now has charge of the Sumner Roller Mills.

The Button family held a reunion Sunday at their rooms in the Hotel. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McGreener, Charley Button, Jr., of Alma, and Mrs. Lulu Button Hicks and daughter, Zelma, of Lansing.

A reunion of the Hicks family was held at the home of Philip Hicks on Sunday. The out-of-town guests were Will Hicks and family of Alma, Chas. Hicks and family of Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bennett of Crystal, and Allan Stafford and family.

Forest Hill News

Mrs. Don Hayes entertained her brother over Sunday.

Several from here went on the excursion to Detroit Wednesday.

Mrs. George Kemp of Charlevoix is visiting her son, Bert, and family.

Mrs. Mary Packard entertained her son and family of Ithaca over Sunday.

Elin Moody of Park Lake visited his uncle, Ira Moody, a few days last week.

Don Hayes and family have moved in their new home which they recently purchased.

Mrs. Capen returned home Monday from a few weeks' visit with friends in Beaverton.

Fred Creech entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Landon of Mt. Pleasant over Sunday.

Fred Creech and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Lanshaw motored to Stanton last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lanshaw spent

the latter part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Creech.

Mr. Noffsinger returned home from an extended visit with friends in Ohio the last of the week.

Grandpa Post and Dorothy returned to their home in Vernon after a week's visit with friends and relatives.

"The Lanshaw Players" were well pleased with the crowds during their three nights' engagement here.

Elmer Post and family motored to Jackson last Sunday. Mr. Post and Theil returned home Tuesday night.

Mrs. McIntosh and two children returned to their home in Saginaw after a few weeks' visit with their aunt, Mrs. Frank Ellis.

George Kemp returned home Thursday after a few weeks' visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kemp at Charlevoix.

Miss Margie Sanders and Sidney Towersey were united in marriage last Wednesday in Alma at the Baptist church. They have the best wishes of all their friends.

BRAINERD HOSPITAL NOTES

Leo A. Saddler was sent by Dr. McLaughlin of Elwell to the hospital on the 18th for an operation.

Mrs. William Layman returned on Tuesday from a visit at her home in Big Rapids.

Dr. Brainerd was in Detroit from Sunday until Tuesday on business.

Miss Ethel Bandfield fell down the stairs and injured her back and is at her home in Big Rapids resting for a few weeks.

Mrs. Warren Williams, who recently sustained an operation, returned Saturday to St. Louis.

Edward Decker returned Saturday to Shepherd in good condition after his operation.

Miss Axie Langdon left the hospital Friday for her home in Wiedman. Her eye is some better and she can see a little now. Hopes of a sure recovery are very high.

Frank Conklin of St. Louis was operated on for a cancer and is getting along nicely.

MASONIC HOME NOTES.

Fred Hoover and son of Kansas City, Mo., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Montague.

The Board of Control met at the Home last Thursday.

Miss Margaret Powell is enjoying her vacation in Union City, Nebraska.

Mrs. M. Frazer, assistant in the kitchen, has resigned her position and returned to her home in Elm Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McComb and Mrs. Wells are visiting in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. White, the head nurse, returned Saturday from a two weeks' vacation.

DETROIT EXCURSION.

The Ann Arbor Railroad will give another excursion Sunday, August 30th, to Detroit. Special train will leave Alma at 6:42 a. m. Returning leave Detroit 6:30 p. m.

Round Trip Fare—\$1.50. No. 1019.

METHODIST NOTES.

10 A. M.—Preaching by the pastor on "Studies in the Book of James."

7:30 P. M.—Union services at the Disciples church. Sermon by Rev. Thomas G. R. Brownlow.

EDWARD LaRUE HAMILTON



Congressman from the 4th Congressional District, who last Tuesday was re-elected for the tenth time. His election is now assured. He is dean of the Michigan delegation at Washington.

DOUBT DISAPPEARS.

No One in Alma Who Has a Bad Back Should Ignore This Double Proof.

Does your back ache?

Have you suspected your kidneys? Backache is sometimes kidney ache. With it may come dizzy spells, Sleepless nights, tired, dull days, Distressing urinary disorders.

Doan's Kidney Pills have been endorsed by thousands.

Are recommended here at home. You have read Alma proof.

Read now the Alma sequel. Renewed testimony: tested by time.

E. Griffin, contractor and carpenter, 312 Woodworth Ave., Alma, Mich., says:

"I had considerable trouble from my kidneys. The kidney secretions were irregular in passage and I suffered intensely from backache. I used Doan's Kidney Pills, that I got at Rhodes' Drug

Store, and they relieved me. That happened several years ago. I then gave a statement telling what they had done for me, and I am pleased to confirm it. I can safely say that Doan's Kidney Pills are a fine kidney medicine."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Griffin had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Alma, Mich., Aug. 26, 1914.

Adjourned regular meeting of the common council of the city of Alma in council rooms on the above date. The council was called to order by the Mayor Hon. Albert P. Cook. Present, alds., Rowland, McConkey, Willard, Race, Ogden, Ward, and Fraker. Their being a quorum present the council was declared to be in session. The journal of the preceding session was read and approved.

On motion of Ald. Ward, supported by Ald. Rowland that the request of Chas. Amsley to build an addition on rear end of building No. 322 State street be granted according to ordinance.

Motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Ward, supported by Ald. Ogden that they transfer \$125.00 from the Dog Funds to the Park Funds.

Motion carried.

Ald. Kehn appears. Ald. Rowland is excused.

On motion of Ald. Ogden, supported by Ald. Ward that the clerk be instructed to purchase 24 French jacks, 12, four feet long, 12, 3 feet long. Motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Ogden, supported by Ald. Ward that the following claims be allowed at footing and the clerk issue orders for the same which vote was as follows, Yeas, Aids, McConkey, Race, Willard, Ogden, Ward, Kehn, Fraker.

General Fund

American La France Fire Engine Company, Bill \$15.00

Joe Lutz gravel \$15.00

Otis Wilbur gravel \$18.66

Jake Barney gravel \$5.33

Fred Robinson gravel \$18.66

Abe Eckert labor \$24.00

Chester Conklin labor \$5.00

Water Fund

J. E. Page bill \$82

J. E. Shellhaas bill \$56

Cemetery Fund

H. Carter labor \$21.00

Mr. Brown gravel \$3.00

Park Fund

L. N. Baker bill \$2.15

On motion of Ald. Ward, supported by Ald. Ogden the council adjourned.

Albert P. Cook Mayor

D. W. Adams City Clerk

"Love, Luck, and Gasoline" at the Vaudeville Tuesday evening.

Care in Mulch Plowing.

It is a wise farmer who can keep the moisture in his soil during a dry season. Thorough cultivation conserves the moisture. Cultivation after a rain allows the surface water to sink into the ground, where it is retained. But don't run the cultivator teeth deep when the ground is hard and dry, as this will expose the lower soil and allow the moisture to evaporate.—Farm Progress.

Scientific Farming

WAR ON POTATO BEETLES.

Arsenical Poisons Should Be Applied to Plants When Insects Are Young.

Everything is against the potato beetle. He cannot demand due legal notice before being evicted; he has no recourse to any civil or military law; he is neither an ornament nor an economic necessity, and he has a bigger appetite for potato vines than any other living organism. Hence none of us can find any excuse for allowing our potato plants to be stripped bare by these pests.

Many lose half their crops simply because they neglect to spray in time. Whatever foliage is gnawed by the potato beetle means so much less food for the tubers at the roots. The starch is made in the leaves of the potatoes; consequently if these are destroyed smaller yields result. Every farmer who plants five or six acres or more of



WESTERN DRY LAND POTATOES.

potatoes should own a special spraying machine, which can be bought for from \$30 to \$75.

Arsenical poisons should be applied to the plants when the beetles are young and in the soft stage, according to advice from J. G. Milward, agricultural experiment station, University of Wisconsin.

Mr. Milward states that paris green can be applied to advantage with weak solutions of lime-water or bordeaux mixture. Half strength bordeaux mixture is made by adding four pounds of blue vitriol and five pounds of lime to 100 gallons of water.

The weak solution of bordeaux mixture used with the paris green prevents arsenical poisoning of the potato plants and also retards injury from flea beetles and grasshoppers.

Some farmers are deceived into thinking that they have the potato bugs under control when the large ones disappear from the plants. However, the large beetles merely go into the ground, develop wings and return as mature insects in a short time. At this stage they are hard to control, which makes it important to keep daily watch for the hatching of new eggs.

A letter from George H. Peery orders his Record sent to 1329 East 28th street, Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Peery says that his family is now pleasantly located at the above address, and that prospects are excellent for a good auto truck business this fall.

OVER ONE-HALF THE POPULATION OF ENTIRE WORLD NOW AT WAR

With the advent of Japan in the war which has embroiled Europe, there are nine nations, representing six races of peoples, on one or the other side of the conflict. With France, England, Russia, Serbia, Montenegro, Belgium and Japan lined up against Germany and Austria-Hungary, there are entered into the hostilities Latins, Slavs, Teutons, Anglo-Saxons, Celts and Mongolians.

The following table shows the alignment of the nations, with their racial characteristics; also the percentage of the world's population and area involved:

TRIPLE ENTENTE		TRIPLE ALLIANCE.	
Great Britain (Anglo-Saxon and Celt).		Germany (Teuton)	
France (Latin).		Austria (Teuton)	
Russia (Slav).		Hungary (Slav)	
Servia (Slav).		(Italy, the third party to the Triple Alliance, is about to mobilize her army, presumably to desert the alliance and join her forces with the Triple Entente.)	
Belgium (Celt)			
Montenegro (Slav).			
Japan (Mongolian).			
Total people involved by war	895,442,000		
Total population of world	1,623,300,000		
Area (square miles) affected by war	26,888,598		
Area (land) of world	55,641,102		